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DATE: 5 Mar 68


TO: The Director

FROM: GACarver, Jr.

SUBJECT:

REMARKS:

Attached for your possible use today are three copies of the memorandum analyzing the MACV cable and three copies of a paper on the DRV armed forces, which my staff pulled together for my last session with General Taylor. The latter clarifies the strength figures you were asking about. Out of North Vietnam's total army strength of 447,500, 92,000 are now believed to be out of country, i.e., in South Vietnam or Laos. The 171,500 figure relates to the infantry element now believed to be in North Vietnam proper. It does not include air defense elements (93,000) or combat command and support units which total 111,000.

  
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